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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
Fresno Division**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

331.46 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR
LESS, SITUATED IN MADERA
COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA;
AND JOSEPH DEPAOLI, SUCCESSOR
TRUSTEE OF THE JAMES W. LOPES
LIVING TRUST DATED APRIL 24,
2019, ET AL.,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:23-cv-735-KES-BAM

**Order re United States' Unopposed Motion for a
Stay in Light of Lapse of Appropriations**

1 Upon consideration of the United States' Unopposed Motion for a Stay in Light of Lapse
2 of Appropriations, and good cause being established, the Motion is GRANTED. This case is
3 hereby stayed until a date to be determined after Congress has appropriated funds for the
4 Department of Justice. Defendant Joseph Depaoli, successor trustee of the James W. Lopes 2019
5 Living Trust Dated April 24, 2019, and defendants Christopher Cardella, Michelle Cardella, and
6 Steven Cardella may file a stipulation for the withdrawal of the deposit of the United States' good
7 faith estimate of just compensation during this stay.

8 Counsel for the United States is hereby ORDERED to promptly notify the Court after
9 Congress has appropriated funds for the Department of Justice.

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11 IT IS SO ORDERED.

12 Dated: October 21, 2025



UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE